GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3143
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FERRY SERVICES IN KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received a proposal from the State Government of Karnataka for developing seven ferry services at different places;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this proposal is pending for clearance from the Union Government;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) the time by which this proposed project is likely to be cleared by the Union Government;

(f) whether the Union Government is also planning − ferry service from Diu to Surat and Mumbai;

(g) if so, the details thereof;

(h) the time by which the said service is likely to be commenced; and

(i) if not, the reason therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (e): The State Government of Karnataka had submitted seven projects for sanction under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) as per Annexure. Since these project proposals lacked adequate details, Inland Waterways Authority of India sought clarifications from the State Government. In response, the State Government informed that they would like to get the techno-economic feasibility study done for development of Inland Waterways Transport (IWT) in Karnataka and thereafter, revert with Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for the seven IWT projects. The State Government was sanctioned Rs.56.70 lacs by the Central Government in March, 2004 for conducting the feasibility study. The State Government is yet to revert with the revised project proposals based on the study.

(f) to
(i): No proposal to start a ferry service from Diu to Surat and Mumbai is under consideration of Union Government at present. Operation of ferry service between these places will depend on commercial viability.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Unstarred Question No.3143

LIST OF PROJECTS OF STATE GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA UNDER CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME

S.No.	Name of Project	Estimated Cost (Rupees in Crore)
1.	Criss-Cross navigation service between Kodibag to Kadra along Kali river	7.28
2.	IWT service from riverine Port Gangoli in Pancha Gangavali river	12.23
3.	IWT service between Mangalore Old riverine Port to the other places on rivers Gurpur and Netravathi	6.77
4.	IWT service in backwater of Almati dam across Krishna river	11.75
5.	Criss-cross IWT service between Anandagiri-Biramballi in backwater reservoir of Kabini river	2.91
6.	IWT service from Malpe Port to the other places on river Udyavar	7.14
7	IWT service between Honnavar-Gerusoppa along Sharvathi river	10.56
	Total	58.64